**GOVERNOR DOUGLAS A. DUCEY** 

## STATE OF ARIZONA PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the residents of Arizona are essential to statewide disaster readiness and are called to be prepared for any emergency, large or small; and

WHEREAS, the State of Arizona experiences severe weather, floods, wildfires, and public health emergencies which can damage property and infrastructure and threaten the safety of Arizona residents; and

WHEREAS, emergencies and disasters can strike without warning and residents are encouraged to prepare their homes, businesses and schools for emergencies; and

WHEREAS, Arizonans are encouraged to follow the four steps of emergency preparedness: develop a family communication plan, build an emergency go kit, learn the hazards where you live and travel and inspire others by your preparedness example; and

WHEREAS, Arizonans are encouraged to follow the three principles of the Ready, Set, Go! evacuation protocol: get READY by preparing now for what threatens your community, be SET by maintaining awareness of significant danger and GO, evacuate immediately when danger is imminent and life-threatening; and

WHEREAS, state agencies and employees should educate community members about the hazards Arizonans face and provide assistance during and after a disaster; and

WHEREAS, the Arizona Departments of Emergency and Military Affairs, Agriculture, Health Services, Homeland Security, Registrar of Contractors, Water Resources, the Arizona Commission for the Deaf and the Hard of Hearing, the American Red Cross, and the Arizona State Citizen Corps Council, among others, recognize the need for a Whole Community public education program about the importance of being prepared for any potential hazard.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, do hereby proclaim September 2022 as

## ARIZONA PREPAREDNESS MONTH

and encourage all residents to develop their own emergency preparedness plans and supply kits.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Arizona

GOVERNOR

**DONE** at the Capitol in Phoenix on this second day of August in the year Two Thousand and Twenty-Two and of the Independence of the United States of America the Two Hundre.d and Forty-Seventh.

ATTEST:

SECRETARY OF STATE